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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution

**No. 147**

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### Introduced by Assembly Member Conway

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April 25, 2012

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 147—Relative to California Charter Schools Week.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 147, as amended, Conway. California Charter Schools Week.

This measure would proclaim May 6, 2012, to May 12, 2012, inclusive, to be California Charter Schools Week, and would state that the Legislature joins the California Charter Schools Association in congratulating charter schools for the accomplishments and contributions they have made to public education.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In the 2011–12 academic year, 100 new charter  
2 schools opened their doors across the state helping to create new  
3 jobs and opportunities for educators and other professionals in  
4 California; and

5 WHEREAS, There are 982 charter schools operating in  
6 California, the highest number of any state in the nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Charter schools have a combined enrollment of  
8 over 412,000 pupils, representing 7 percent of the public school  
9 pupil population in the state; and

10 WHEREAS, In 1992, California was the second state in the  
11 nation to establish charter schools and 2012 is the 20th anniversary  
12 of charter schools in California; and

13 WHEREAS, Charter schools are public schools that increase  
14 learning opportunities for all pupils and provide parents and pupils  
15 with expanded choices within the public school system; and

16 WHEREAS, Many charter schools are designed specifically to  
17 serve traditionally disadvantaged children; and

18 WHEREAS, Charter schools create new professional  
19 opportunities for teachers, including the opportunity to be  
20 responsible for the learning program at the schoolsite; and

21 WHEREAS, Charter schools offer a variety of learning  
22 environments and emphases, including college-preparedness,  
23 technical education, arts, and sciences; and

24 WHEREAS, Charter schools play an integral role in California's  
25 public education system, the communities in which they operate,  
26 the families they serve, and the pupils' lives they impact; now,  
27 therefore, be it

28 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
29 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims May 6, 2012,  
30 to May 12, 2012, inclusive, to be California Charter Schools Week,  
31 and joins the California Charter Schools Association in  
32 congratulating charter schools for the accomplishments and  
33 contributions they have made to public education; and be it further

34 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
35 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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